

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A method of eliminating pollutants contained in an elastomer ~~part~~ pump gasket, said method being characterized in that it comprises a step of extracting pollutants by immersing the ~~part~~ pump gasket in a solvent, said solvent being ethanol.
2. (original): A method according to claim 1, in which said extraction step is performed in an extraction column in which the ethanol flows.
3. (previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which said extraction step is performed at a temperature lying in the range 20°C to 75°C, and preferably in the range 25°C to 70°C.
4. (previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which said extraction step is conducted over a duration lying in the range 1 h to 72 h, and preferably in the range 2 h to 48 h.
5. (previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which said pollutants are pollutants of low molecular weight.

6. (previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which said pollutants are pollutants of high molecular weight.

7. (canceled).

8. (previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which the ethanol is renewed continuously during the pollutant extraction step.

9. (new): A method according to claim 1, wherein the pump gasket is formed as a solid one-piece construction.